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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Request for Waiver of Form 471 Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2018
CC Docket No. 02-6

Contact:

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FY 2018 Form 471 Application #: 181042318

Dear Ms. Dortch,

I am writing to respectfully request the FCC to grant a waiver of the Funding Year 2018 Form 471 deadline so that our Form 471 E-rate application will be considered as having been filed within the 'window.' The Form 471 was submitted on April 5, 2018.

Due to delays on pole permits, our newly selected vendor for Form 471 No. 181032171—Zito Media—will not have all member entities up and running beginning July 1, 2018 for the start of the new contract. There are five member entities for which Zito has notified us that the build out may not be completed until October or November 2018. We only found this out with, 100% certainty, after the time to submit new 470s had expired. While evaluating the original bids, Zito made no indication that there may be issues with pole permit. Even if we had been notified, Zito Media was the clear winner at approximately 50% of the cost proposed by the next lowest bidder, Affiniti. Therefore, we are requesting a waiver of the March 22, 2018 deadline for Form 471 No. 181042318 requesting services between the dates of July 1 – December 31, 2018 for the five members who are affected by the delayed pole permits.

We realize that previous precedent is for the Commission to grant Form 471 deadline waiver requests if the Form was submitted within 14 days of the Form 471 deadline.¹ In light of the reasons stated above, we respectfully request the FCC view these extenuating circumstances as good cause to waive the Form 471 deadline for this application. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew P. LaVerde".

Matthew P. LaVerde
Assistant Executive Director

¹ *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 9256, 9259, para. 8 (2010) (*Academy of Math and Science Order*).